









# COUNTY HERAN DIEGO

#### INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

TO:

Planning Commission

FROM:

Environmental Review Board

RECOMMENDED FINDING OF CONDITIONAL NEGATIVE

DECLARATION:

National Quarries, RP79-05, Log #79-8-146, 255.0 acres, Twin Oaks Valley Road, San Marcos, (Supv. Dist. V)

#### Project Description and Location

The project is a review of a reclamation plan for existing and future quarry sites located on 255.0 acres of land. The site is located on the west side of Twin Oaks Valley Road, about 4 miles north of San Marcos.

Project Proponent - National Quarries

### Finding

The Environmental Review Board has examined the attached Initial Study and has determined that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case if the mitigating measures described below are made conditions of approval, and an Environmental Impact Report need not be prepared pursuant to the San Diego County Procedures for Environmental Impact Review, revised January 1, 1977.

#### Mitigation Measures

Project shall adhere to the California Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975, as specified in San Diego County Ordinance No. 5128. Also, prior to approval of this plan, the hydroseed mixture shall incorporate native species such as Wild Buckwheat (Eriogonum fasciculatum), Black Sage (Salvia mellifera), Laurel Sumac (Rhus laurina), Deerweed (Lotus scoparius) and possibly Bromus mollis. This condition shall meet with the approval of the Department of Planning and Land Use.

NOTE: This action only becomes final upon approval by the appropriate decision-making body.

Additional copies of this Negative Declaration may be obtained at the Environmental Analysis Division, 9150 Chesapeake Drive, San Diego, CA 92123.

Respectfully submitted,

KATHLEEN A. LEHTOLA, Secretary Environmental Review Board

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Environmental Setting (Project Site and Surrounding Area)

The site has been used for quarrying activities since the 1940's and as a consequence, is quite disturbed (90%). The remaining (approx. 10%) consists of inland sage scrub. Existing and proposed quarry sites occupy approximately 42 acres. The soil consists of sandy loam and decomposed granite with numerous granite outcroppings. The nearest residence is one mile to the east. The surrounding land use is undeveloped to the north, east, south and west. To the northeast is a private golf course. Water use is approximately 2900 GPD. Water is obtained from the Rainbow Municipal Water District's 12" diameter water line at Gopher Canyon Road. Minor quantities of waste water carrying minerals is channeled to a small, on-site settling basin. There is no significant ground or surface water near the quarry sites. The small quantity of soil that covers some areas is removed and returned to the excavation site when excavation is complete. Field inspection did not reveal the presence of sensitive biological or archaeological resources.

# Apparent Regional Growth Management Plan and Zoning Compatibility

Apparent Subregional area designation:

Community Plan designation:

Zoning Classification: It appears to be A-1(2)

Consistent/Inconsistent:

Person(s) Who Prepared or Assisted in the Initial Study

Analyst: Cathy Cibit, Michele Fergoda, EAD

Russ Hunt, Project Planning

Reasons to Support the Finding of Conditional Negative Declaration:

Project site is disturbed and future and existing mining activities will be mitigated by implementation of the above-mentioned measures.